AMENDMENT TO THE CLAIMS

This listing of the claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

1. (canceled)

2. (previously presented): The process of claim 9 further comprising drying the coating composition between 60 degrees F and 160 degrees F.

3. (previously presented): The process of claim 9 wherein component B is a hardener with slow reactivity and component C is a hardener with fast reactivity.

4. (original): The process of claim 3 wherein component A is a hydroxyl functional binder and components B and C are isocyanate functional hardeners.

5. (previously presented): The process of claim 4 wherein the mixing ratio is selected such that the volume percentage of component A is between about 5% and 95%.

6. (previously presented): The process of claim 5 wherein the mixing ratio is selected such that the volume percentage of the component A is between about 10% and 90%.

7. (currently amended): The process of claim ~~1~~9 wherein said substrate is a vehicle surface panel with said coating composition comprising a primer to be applied as an external coating to said panel, with there being a first component A comprising a binder , and there being at least one of a second component B and third component C, component B comprising a sanding hardener and component C comprising a wet-in-wet hardener, wherein the volumetric ratio of component A to component B+ component C ranging from 100:80 to 100:60.

8. (previously presented): The process of claim 9 further comprising a hardener component D wherein component C is a binder having a different reactivity from binder component A and component D is a hardener having a different reactivity from hardener component B.

9. (currently amended) A process for formulating and applying ~~various~~ coating compositions~~, comprising formulating a coating composition~~ employing a plural component apparatus, said apparatus having fixed components wherein the components comprise:

A. at least one binder component A;

B. at least one hardener component B; and

C. at least one component C selected from:

i. a binder having a different reactivity than component A; or

ii. a hardener having a different reactivity than component B

wherein the mixing ratio of the components, is adjusted to formulate a coating composition having the suitable properties for the substrate to be sprayed ~~wherein the step of formulating comprises setting the apparatus according to a selected predetermined mixing ratio of the fixed components A, B and C;~~ spraying ~~a~~ the substrate with the coating composition: and ~~components A, B and C remaining fixed in the apparatus,~~ whereby ~~the apparatus is ready to be set for~~ a subsequent mixing ratio ~~of the fixed components~~ to formulate a coating composition with differing properties can readily be set with the same fixed components, thuis permitting various coating compositions to be formulated which are appropriate for the different substrates; and applied to the different substrates without changing the fixed components.

10. (currently amended) A method of formulating coating compositions within a plural component apparatus and applying said coating compositions comprising the steps of:

i) filling said plural component apparatus with individual fixed components, said components being

A) at least one binder component A;

B) at least one hardener component B; and

C) at least one component C selected from:

a binder having a different reactivity than component A; or

a hardener having different reactivity than component B

ii) setting said plural component apparatus to a ~~predetermined~~ mixing ratio of ~~the fixed~~ components A, B and C to formulate the first of said coating compositions having the suitable properties for a substrate to be sprayed;

iii) spraying the ~~a~~ substrate ~~with said fixed components in said first predetermined mixing ratio~~; and

iv) setting said plural component apparatus to a different ~~predetermined~~ mixing ratio of the ~~fixed~~ components A, B and C to formulate a different coating composition having the suitable properties for the subsequent substrate to be sprayed~~in order to form another of said coating compositions with said fixed components A, B, and C remaining fixed in the apparatus~~;

such that by repeating steps ii), iii) and iv) ~~various~~ coating compositions having different properties may be formulated and applied to different substrates with said components A, B, and C remaining fixed in the apparatus.